precursor to an earthquake. It cannot be affirmatively stated that unusual behaviour of animals always results in an earthquake.

Science Park in Bangalore

3817. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Karnataka Government has sent any proposal for the release of Centre's share in the setting up of Science Park in Bangalore;

(b) if so, the estimated cost of the proposed Science Park,

(c) the Centre's share therein; and

(d) the present status of the above proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL) (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Science Advisory Committee

3818. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have set up a Science Advisory Committee; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Government has set up a Scientific Advisory Council to the Prime Minister (SAC-PM) consisting of eminent scientists, technologists, academicians, industrialists and Heads of S&T organizations.

The terms of reference of the Council are to look at the issues which would be relevant to India at the policy level. The Council will prepare a future road map for Science & Technology, policy guidelines and guide the nation towards a direction, which will ensure our preparedness for meeting the challenges of the future. It will also consider and suggest mechanism to build scientific temper within the community and other policy issues